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09/936,943

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2853

Applicant(s): Yuji YAKURA, et al.

Invention: METHOD FOR DRIVING RECORDING HEAD, RECORDING HEAD AND INK JET
PRINTER

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Initiate the Application of:

Yuji YAKURA et al.

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For: METHOD FOR DRIVING RECORDING HEAD, RECORDING HEAD AND
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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated May 20, 2003, issued in reply to the Response filed on May 2, 2003, addressing the rejections in the final Office Action mailed on February 20, 2003, and after filing the attached Request for Continued Examination under Rule 114, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 4, 7, 10, 19 and 28 as shown in the Appendix. The claims as amended in clean form are presented below.

1. (Twice Amended) A method for driving a recording head having a plurality of heating elements as driving elements for ejecting ink droplets from a plurality of nozzles, the plurality of heating elements being arranged in a direction substantially perpendicular to the direction of carrying a carried recording medium, the method comprising:

a time-division driving step of dividing the plurality of heating elements into a plurality of blocks, each block consisting of a predetermined number of spatially and sequentially arranged heating elements of the plurality of heating elements corresponding to the plurality of nozzles, respective ones of the heating elements and the corresponding nozzles in each block positioned similarly to form respective

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